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SOURCE: A former Cuban IS officer who served with the Cuban Intelligence Service until April 1963.

Headquarters Comments:

The following report is one of a series containing personality information provided by the source and includes supplemental information from the records of this Agency.

It is requested that the addressee take no action on any of the individuals mentioned in the personality reports without first checking with this Agency.

1. Benigno MEDINA Plasencia is the chief of the Laboratorio Fotografico (Photographic Laboratory - LF) in the Department of Technical Operational Support (MI) of the Dirección General de Inteligencia (General Directorate of Intelligence - DGI). MEDINA is the only one permitted to photograph documents which leave Cuba clandestinely. I.e., he can photograph the "frequency plan" that an agent will take with him, the one which will be transmitted by radio. He can also photograph the codes and dead-drops that an agent will use. MEDINA has possibly traveled to Mexico to buy photographic equipment and material.
2. MEDINA was born in approximately 1933, he is five feet nine inches in height, and weighs between 135 and 140 pounds. He has a slim build, a fair complexion, black, wavy hair, and small eyes.

Headquarters Comments

1. In the referenced report of 8 July 1964, source said that the chief of the LF Section was pseudonym "Medina," but

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